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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PLANT TREES AT SOUTH FORK

Volunteers are needed to help plant cottonwood trees along the South Fork of the Humboldt River on May 15<sup>th</sup> in celebration of National Public Lands Day.

BLM Elko Field Office National Public Lands Day coordinator Jim Harmening said, "We need to plant 70 six-foot-tall narrow leaf cottonwood trees along the South Fork of the Humboldt River between the reservoir dam and upstream of Dixie Creek. Usually, National Public Lands Day is celebrated every September. We're having it early this year because May is a better time to plant trees than September."

"We'll also be removing scotch thistle and cleaning up garbage along the river," continued Harmening. "BLM will provide tools, gloves, and water for volunteers. People should wear outdoor clothes for work. We'll also supply a delicious Dutch Oven lunch cooked by Bill Roach. Volunteering for National Public Lands Day is a great way to give something back to public lands."

People should meet at the BLM Elko Field Office at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. Limited transportation is available from the BLM. People can also meet at the project site at 9:00 a.m. The project site is at the confluence of Dixie Creek and the South Fork of the Humboldt River on Bullion Road about 12 miles south of Elko.

Volunteers are asked to sign up ahead of time in order to help plan transportation, lunch, and supplies. Please call Tom Warren at 753-0355 before May 10<sup>th</sup> to sign up. Scouts, 4-H, civic and youth groups are invited to participate.